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Sent: 3/19/2019 7:48:37 PM

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Subject: Re: Press Inquiry from KHOU deadline today

Don, Bryant and Robby can you help Carmen answer the UST and AST questions?

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 19, 2019, at 2:38 PM, Assunto, Carmen <<u>Assunto.Carmen@epa.gov</u>> wrote:

I need help with this media inquiry. Do you recommend an answer or a different contact to write? Thank you, Carmen

From: Gray, David

Sent: Tuesday, March 19, 2019 1:52 PM

To: Macias, Tina <tmacias@khou.com>; Assunto, Carmen <Assunto.Carmen@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: Press Inquiry from KHOU deadline today

Adding our PIO Carmen Assunto.

From: Macias, Tina <<u>tmacias@khou.com</u>>
Sent: Tuesday, March 19, 2019 1:49 PM
To: Gray, David <<u>gray.david@epa.gov</u>>

Subject: Press Inquiry from KHOU deadline today

Good afternoon David,

In light of the tank fire in La Porte, I'm trying to make sense of tank inspection guidelines found here: https://www.epa.gov/sites/production/files/2014

<u>04/documents/7_inspectionsevaluation_testing_2014.pdf</u> Can you answer a couple questions for me:

- 1. Is there a recommended age/lifetime of an aboveground storage tank? Same question for underground storage tanks.
- 2. This document refers to regional inspectors. Who inspects the tanks trained personnel in the company, an outside company, EPA personnel or someone else?

Thanks,

Tina

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